



PATENT APPLICATION

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

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In re application of

Docket No: Q64944

Kazumasa KOKURA, et al.

Appln. No.: 09/879,995

Group Art Unit: 3652

Confirmation No.: 4700

Examiner: James W. Keenan

Filed: June 14, 2001

For: CARGO HANDLING VEHICLE

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Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
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Sir:

In response to the Election of Species Requirement dated September 24, 2003, Applicants elect, without traverse, Specie J (depicted in Figs. 34-36 and 42-44) as identified by the Examiner. Applicants believe that at least claims 38-40 read on Specie J.

In view of the above, Applicants respectfully request the Examiner to examine this application on the merits at the earliest possible time.

If any points remain in issue which the Examiner feels may be best resolved through a personal or telephone interview, he is kindly requested to contact the undersigned at the telephone number listed below.

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The USPTO is directed and authorized to charge all required fees, except for the Issue Fee and the Publication Fee, to Deposit Account No. 19-4880. Please also credit any overpayments to said Deposit Account.


Respectfully submitted,

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